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1. In August 1952, Soviet jet planes with considerably swept-back wings practiced flying over Papa (P 48/Y 30). According to an informant who had permission to enter Papa airfield, Soviet jet planes were stationed at the field at that time.
2. A Soviet Air Force unit was quartered in the former Protestant educational establishment on Jokai Mór Street. A Soviet soldier wearing blue service color and armed with a submachine gun was posted at the gate of this building. Eszterhazy Castle was also occupied by Soviet pilots. A higher Soviet headquarters was housed in the former Black Eagle Inn (Fekete Sas) opposite the Catholic church on the main square in Papa. A Soviet sentry with blue service color and, occasionally a group of several high-ranking Soviet officers were observed at the entrance of the inn.

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Comment. According to available information, a Soviet fighter division with two or three fighter regiments is stationed in Papa. The information that a higher headquarters was observed in Papa confirms the assumption that a fighter division headquarters is stationed in Papa. According to previous information it is believed that the fighter regiments are equipped with 70 to 80 MiG-15s.

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